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MEMORANDUM

SAC, DALLAS (134-1A-593A) DATE: 6/26/61

FROM

SA W. HARLAN BROWN

DL-6-8 SUBJECT :

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On 5/31/61, SA W. HARLAN BROWN, in person, received a typewritten report from DL-6-8, which report is dated 5/26/61, and has been serialized as 134-1A-593.

That report reflected that on 5/26/61, a regular meeting of the CP was held at the home of MR. and MRS. The LANDIN. Those present were JOE LANDIN, AUGUSTIN ESTRADA and BILL LOVERY.

dated 5/ ESTRABA-repented that CP San Antonio member. JOHN STANFORD, had recently made a brief visit to Dallas and had met with him. ESTRADA said STANFORD was en route to New York. ESTRADA had to give him some dues money; he paid some of his dues and also paid some for JOE LANDIN and BILL LOWERY. He paid \$6.00 for JOE and \$7.00 for BILL LOWERY. These dues bring the LANDINS and the LOWERYS up to February, 1961. ESTRADA had a box of literature that STANFORD had brought him about a month ago, which JOE LANDIN and BILL LOWERY bought some. BILL LOWERY said he would sell his to ELWOOD and

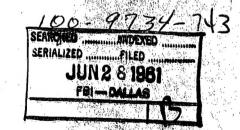
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- 1 100-8001 (J. Landin) 1 106-10177 (M. Landin) 1 100-7995 (A. Estrada) 1 100-7929 (B. Lowery) 1 100-8749 (J. Stanford)
- 1 100-671-5 (Organisation) 1 100-671-1 (Funds)

- 1 100-671-21 (P&P) 1 100-8171 (E. Ross) 1 100-8242 (N. Ross)

- 1 65-450 (D. Freed) 1 100-8160 (J. Lawrence) 1 100-9974 (D. Lawrence)
 - 1 100-671-8 (Pol. Act.)
 - 1 100-671-19 (Security Mdisures)
- 1 100-8254 (M. Fretwell) 1 100-9784 (G.I. Forum)
- I San Antonio (RM) (John Stanford, IS-C) SA # 100-7232)

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NATALIE ROSS and to DAVE FREED. He said he could not include JOE LAWRENCE and his wife because they were not interested in politics any more. They seemed too busy making money; they now run their own business.

JOE LANDIN suggested that they do what he intended to do, mail some of the literature to leading Dallas figures. Such literature should be distributed as much as possible. He though they just had to get it into the hands of the public. Specifically to those who belonged to civic and political organizations. They already knew where liberals and ex-Party members stood. BILL LOWERY and ESTRADA approved of the idea and suggested that a meeting be devoted to the mailing of literature to influential people. BILL LOWERY suggested PAULIA WEAVER of the Young Democrats and ESTRADA suggested the names of IDA MORENO of the GI Forum and Rev. RHETT JAMES.

Informant's report further reflected that BILL LOWERY, concerned about the fairly recent newspaper reports on Texas communists, said he believed where the leak was that members of the State Committee had given out that information. That they seemed to be the only ones who knew enough about the Party apparatus to give such information. They (the newspapers) had named AUGUSTIN and had also named JOHN STANFORD and had given his post in the Party. He said nobody else knew what STANFORD's position was. LOWERY recalled how the newspaper had prematurely stated that Dallas had six members when there were only five. JOE LANDIN said be understood that BILL LOWERY had recruited MC KINNEY from Ft. Worth and had asked him to meet with the Dallas group. He said that if that were the case, only AUGUSTIN ESTRADA, BILL LOWERY and MC KINNEY knew about the sixth member. JOE LANDIN added that BILL LOWERY had recently told him how mysterious MC KINNEY had acted one time when BILL LOWERY and AUGUSTIN were supposed to meet with him. BILL LOWERY said he had not recruited the sixth member as he had been told by the State Committee, therefore, the leak must be in the State Committee. BILL LOWERY suggested a trap to catch the informer by having ESTRADA give some sort of false information at the coming State Committee meeting. ESTRADA was not too impressed with the idea.

According to informant, BILL LOWERY and AUGUSTIN ESTRADA plan to meet some night that week and finish a report on the Mexican-American question. LANDIN was asked by AUGUSTIN to make a report on Cuba.

Informant had no additional information.